

St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School

In faith and love, we learn and grow.

Weekly Newsletter

13th September 2024

Dates for the diary

Meet the teacher YR parents 16th
September at 4.30pm followed by
the EYFS Phonics Workshop at 5pm
17th September Phonics and
Master Readers workshop KS1
parents 5pm
27th September Commissioning
Service for year 6 – Y6 parents
welcome to attend in school hall.
3rd October – Lifestyle Medicine
presentation for parents 9am

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4th October INSET day

11th October Year 6 Class Mass 9am

15th October – Parents' Evening

3.30-6.15 on School Cloud

17th October - Parents' Evening

3.30-6.15 on School Cloud

22nd November Y5 Class Mass

29th November Year 4 Class Mass

Mrs Grace

Dear parents and carers,

We have really enjoyed meeting and welcoming all our new reception children into school this week. Today was their very first full day at school and we all think they did a great job! We celebrated Mass this afternoon with Fr Rob and our year 6 children lead the celebration with great reverence and a real sense of joy. The choir sang Amazing Grace absolutely beautifully during communion and all the children sang their hearts out during the rest of Mass. Well done everyone!

It was really special to welcome all of you into school for our Meet the teacher sessions, which I hope you found enjoyable and helpful.

As discussed, homework will be set from today so we hope your children find it easy to access their home learning. Should you have any problems, please contact the school office. Thank to those of you who have signed up to help on school trips. We will be in touch. Have a great weekend everyone! God bless!

Mrs Grace



Reception – Saint Bernadette

Welcome to our new Reception children and families! It has been a very big week with the children having their first week at school. They have been absolutely AMAZING at learning new rules and routines, exploring the new environment and making new friends. We could not be prouder of them and we very much look forward to guiding them on their learning journey this year! Well done everyone – parents included as we know it is such a big milestone in family life!













Year I - Saint George

What a fantastic start to term the children have had. So far we have been learning the rules and routines in Year 1. We have been using our listening ears and magnet eyes to show we are ready to learn. All the children have been working very hard.

In Maths, we are all feeling extremely proud of our new workbooks. This week, we have been looking at numbers to 10. We have been using ten frames and counters all week to support our learning.



Read Write Inc.

Green Group: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/wy5FTALq/kgwzl3k0 Pink Group: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/Sf3qCV5R/IjZ4Y0rs Orange Group: https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/Yh3qBV0v/q167vkrP











Year 2 - Saint Francis

Welcome to Year 2! We have had a wonderful, first full week in our new class. We are learning all the routines, which involves writing the date on our exercise books and stick our own work. We are trying really hard! In English this week we learned what an adjective is and how to use it, putting our knowledge into practise by writing a full description of our books' character, Claude in the city. In Science we started our topic of everyday materials and we explored and described the properties of glass, wood and metal. In Art we used charcoal to created different types of lines and in Geography we learned about the weather and how satellites can predict the weather. In RE we listed and retold the story of Noah. The highlight of our week has been maths, where we explored how to partition numbers to a 100 into tens and ones. We learned how to use different types of resources, ten frames and base-10 equipment. It was so interesting to see how a number can be made in many different ways!

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Phonics

Blue Group:

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Grey Group:

https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/EdY11GtN/B1fhOOyH

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Spelling

This week's spelling rule: The or sound spelt a when it comes before I or II. For example, ball, always.

Red words: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday





Year 3 - Saint Veronica

This week in Year 3 we explored our new text 'The Lost Happy Endings'. The children started by designing their own 'cosy hole' inspired by the main character in our story, Jub. Following on from this, we planned and wrote a set of instructions on how to create a 'cosy hole'. The children thought carefully about how to use fronted adverbials and imperative verbs within their writing. What a fantastic start to the year, well done Year 3!



Our spelling rule this week is: words with the ee sound spelt ey For example: key, turkey, jockey Orange words: learn, history, busy, breathe, early, naughty

Year 4 – Saint Teresa of Calcutta

This week the Year 4 children have been continuing to work really hard on embedding their routines in the classroom, alongside focusing on developing their resilience.

In Geography this week, the children began their new topic 'The Americas'. The children were introduced to North America and were able to confidently use the eight points of a compass to locate cities in the continent of North America and discover facts about Denver and its state Colorado. All the children enjoyed presenting their information in the style of fact file in their books.

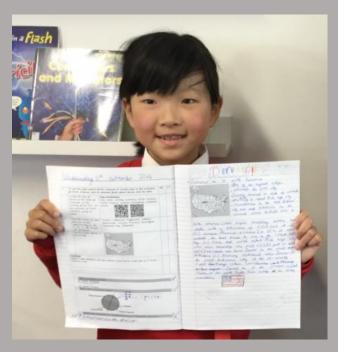


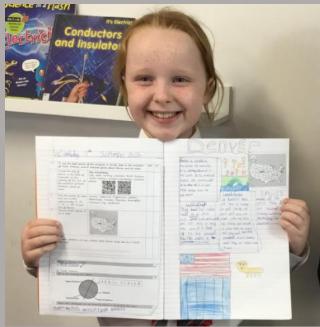
Our spelling rule this week is: adding the prefix sub-

For example: subway, submarine, subheading, submerge

Orange words: often, Monday, ordinary, perhaps, possess occasion







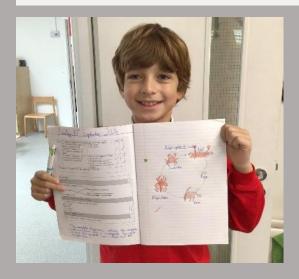
Year 5 - Saint Raphael

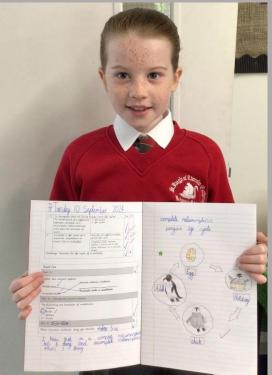
This week we have been thoroughly enjoying reading 'Tom's Midnight Garden' by Philippa Pearce. We have answered comprehension questions about the story, discussed the characters and plot, and predicted what we think will happen next. The book is full of suspense and is keeping us intrigued! We have also enjoyed learning about circuits, life cycles and delving deeper into place value with our Maths activities.

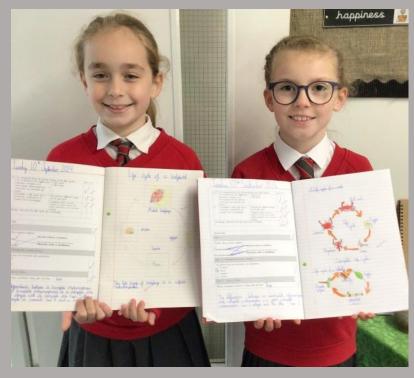
Our spelling rule this week is: adding the suffix -ian For example: mathematician, optician, electrician, musician.



Our 6 orange words are: amateur, average, according, accompany, attached, appreciate







Year 6 - Saint Maximilian Kolbe

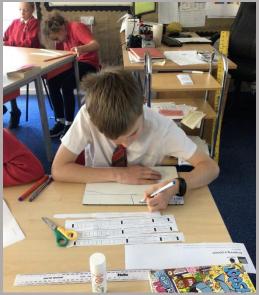
An excellent week for Year 6 where lots of fantastic learning has taken place. We have begun reading 'Private Peaceful' by Michael Morpurgo - a powerful novel that tells the story of a young soldier named Thomas Peaceful during World War I. The class have completed some excellent writing so far, and are really enjoying the story. We have been focussing on place value in Maths, comparing and ordering numbers and had a great time during computing creating our own data packages.



Our 6 orange words are: existence, excellent, especially, exaggerate, equipped, equipment













Safeguarding

We seek to provide a safe and happy environment for all children. This means that we have a Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy and procedures in place. If you are concerned about a child's welfare, please record your concern, and any observations or conversation heard, or dsl@sthugh-of-lincoln.surrey.sch.uk as soon as possible the same day.





Parentkind – the charity that supports school PTAs - have teamed up with Asda to make making millions of pounds available to donate to primary schools across the UK through their 'Cashpot for Schools' scheme. All you have to do is download the Asda rewards app and choose St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School in the Cashpots section of the app. Then just make sure to scan the app or enter your app number every time you shop in store or shop online at Asda.com between 2nd September and 30th November 2024

Asda will donate £1 to St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School every time somebody opts in on the app — even if you don't spend any money with Asda. Asda then donates 0.5% of the value of your shop to The Friends. Asda have already given us a bonus £50 to get started! Our current cashpot balance is £53.04 - lets see how much we can raise! Please do share with any friends and family who would like to support The Friends



Please read on the next page, the vacant roles and see where your talents could make the Friends and the events offered to St Hugh of Lincoln school even better. Please remember any role can be shared and any support is greatly appreciated.

Important date Friends AGM;

Where; St Hugh's school Hall

When; 3rd October

Time; 7 pm drinks, nibbles and chat

7.30pm meeting to start.

If we are not able to recruit to the chair and secretary roles at the meeting the Friends of St Hugh's will not be able to continue.

Please do contact Anna Larkham or Mrs Barker if you would like to talk more about any of the roles.

CORE COMMITTEE ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES					
Friends	Job Description	Frequency	Who are we looking		
Event	•		for?		
Chair (can be shared between 2 people)	To lead the committee, ensuring the PTA is run in line with its constitution and according to the wishes of all members. The chair's responsibilities Chairs and facilitates meetings in a manner that encourages everyone to contribute Sets the date and agenda for meetings and keeps the discussion on track Delegates tasks to committee members Ensures decisions are implemented Liaises with the school about fundraising priorities Welcomes and motivates new volunteers Is a designated signatory on the Friends bank account Ensures the Friends is registered with regulatory bodies e.g., the Charity Commission, and submits reports where necessary. Writes annual report for the AGM Lead on Classlist – maintenance of class groups, set up of events Be a registered trustee of the Friends charity with the Charity Commission	Ongoing throughout the year	Could you be our next Friends chair, or co-chair with a friend? The chair leads meetings and steers the committee towards its aims. Sitting in the driver's seat, you should be highly enthusiastic, full of bright ideas and demonstrate good leadership skills.		
Secretary (can be shared between 2 people)	Assists the chair with planning meetings Communicates with the school and committee members, including circulating the agenda before PTA meetings	Ongoing throughout the year	Think you could be our next Friends secretary? The secretary ensures that the PTA's activities run smoothly.		



Role Descriptions for supporting The Friends of St Hugh.

	Takes minutes at meetings, recording the key points, decisions made and relevant action points Ensures meetings have enough attendees to form a quorum Monitor Friends email inbox Support Classlist – maintenance of classes and events Liaises with class rep and communications volunteer for event communications Send weekly newsletter content to school		You'll use your excellent communication and organisational skills to organise meetings, take minutes and keep records
Treasurer	To keep accurate financial records To present a financial report at each Friends meeting Provide and account for cash floats and payment devices for events. Is a designated signatory on the Friends bank account Ensuring the proper counting and banking of money post events Paying agreed expenses Making agreed payments Preparing the annual accounts and arranging for someone to check these before the AGM. Completes the annual Charity Commission return.	Ongoing throughout the year	Anna Larkham is happy to continue in this role

OTHER FRIENDS ROLES					
Friends Role	Job Description	Frequency	Who are we looking for?		
Events team (Friends and Parish events e.g. Disco, Quiz and Curry night, Christmas Bazaar and Summer Fayre)	Do you enjoy planning parties and social events? Are you good at coordinating people to come together to make an event happen. Main roles 1. Plan events 2. Coordinate tickets 3. Coordinate volunteers to set up, run and clear up events 4. Liaise with treasurer for Sum ups and floats as required	1 event per term	We are looking for a team of people to come together to plan events for both pupils, parents and the Parish.		
School shops event team (Christmas, Mothering Sunday and Fathers and heroes')	Do you like shopping for a bargain and have an eye for fabulous gifts? This could be the role for you! This role involves: 1. Inventory of current stock 2. Ordering new stock 3. Set up the sale on class list 4. Ticket allocation for all purchases 5. Setting up /tidy up on the afternoon of the sale 6. Get items to and from container	3 sales per year: December, March and June	A team of 2-3 people to organise and run the event between them. If anyone has skills with Mailmerge in excel your skills will be gratefully received to make the ticket process more efficient. Anna Larkham		



Role Description for supporting The Friends of St Hugh continued

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Bears at Bedtime lead KS1 KS2	The popular teddy bear and film evenings need support for the refreshments 1. Event to be set up on Classlist 2. Video to be chosen 3. Popcorn to be made 4. Squash to be made and served 5. 4 parent volunteers	January	Mrs Barker will continue to lead the evenings – thank you! We need a volunteer to arrange the popcorn and squash for the events and parents to help on the evening (3 per event)
Bake sale - coordinator	Each class organises 1 bake sale per year. We need a coordinator to organise these 7 events and make sure everything runs smoothly 1. Set dates for 7 sales across the year 2. Make sure class reps are aware of their sale date and posters are arranged to make the rest of the school aware 3. Class rep organise cakes to be delivered on day of sale 4. Liaise with treasurer makes sure sum up is charged, log ins are arranged, and cash floats are available 5. Class parents set up and run sale on the day	7 bake sales per year	Volunteer lead needed Anna Larkham supports with Float and Sum up
Donation coordinator	Could you work with local businesses to request gift and voucher donations for raffles? Have you got ideas of great prizes to aim for and businesses to contact? Main responsibilities	For Christmas Bazaar and Summer Fayre	Mrs O'Reilly has agreed to support Mrs Barker- Thank you!
Classlist administrator	Are you good with words and IT? This role will support the Chair and secretary to set up events on Classlist Liaise with school office to ensure class membership is up to date	Year round	We need a volunteer to set up events on class list and lead on the admin for the system.
Christmas Cards and artwork	Order Cards and artwork format over summer holidays Artwork carried out in class by end of Sep beginning of Oct.	Once a year, Autumn term	Anna Grossi has agreed to continue to run – thank you!
Happy bags clothes recycling collection coordinator	Liaise with Happy bags re collection dates Send reminders out re collection dates and permitted items for donation Coordinate donations	Year round	Izy Constanzo has agreed to continue to co-ordinate – Thank you!
2 nd Hand Uniform Volunteers	Sort donations of second-hand uniform Maintain stock list of second-hand uniform and branded stock on Classlist Collate orders and pass to school office staff for distribution Arrange sale of second-hand uniform and logo-ed stock at new Reception pupils event in Summer term	Year round	Thank you to Caroline Meszaros-Suard and Zsuzsanna Szelei for stepping forward to take on this role.
Communications Volunteer	Develop posters and other promotional materials to support Friends' events using Canva	Year Round	Thank you to Emma Martin for continuing in this role
Grant Applications	Support the treasurer to apply for local and national grants towards fundraising.	Year round	Tariq Phillips has agreed to support this role – thank you
Class Rep Communications	Send reminders and disseminate information to class reps to ensure pupils and parents are aware of events in a timely manner	Year round	Sarah Akerman has agreed to support this role – thank you
Donation days	Liaise with communications volunteer and chair to confirm dates and times for collection Collect items Sort items prior to event.	Christmas Bazar and Summer Fayre	Anne Rushton will continue to support this as part of her role as Parish representative on the Friends Committee – thank you!